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To reauthorize the Federal terrorism risk insurance program, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. Dodd, from the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, reported the following original bill; which was read twice and placed on the calendar

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.
- 4 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 5 "Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act
- 6 of 2007".

- 1 (b) Table of Contents.—The table of contents for
- 2 this Act is as follows:
 - Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.
 - Sec. 2. Definition of act of terrorism.
 - Sec. 3. Reauthorization of the Program.
 - Sec. 4. Annual liability cap.
 - Sec. 5. Enhanced reports to Congress.

3 SEC. 2. DEFINITION OF ACT OF TERRORISM.

- 4 Section 102(1)(A)(iv) of the Terrorism Risk Insur-
- 5 ance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended by
- 6 striking "acting on behalf of any foreign person or foreign
- 7 interest".

8 SEC. 3. REAUTHORIZATION OF THE PROGRAM.

- 9 (a) TERMINATION DATE.—Section 108(a) of the Ter-
- 10 rorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note)
- 11 is amended by striking "2007" and inserting "2014".
- 12 (b) Additional Program Years.—Section 102(11)
- 13 of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C.
- 14 6701 note) is amended by adding at the end the following:
- 15 "(G) Additional program years.—Ex-
- 16 cept when used as provided in subparagraphs
- 17 (B) through (F), the term 'Program Year'
- means, as the context requires, any of Program
- 19 Year 1, Program Year 2, Program Year 3, Pro-
- gram Year 4, Program Year 5, or any of cal-
- 21 endar years 2008 through 2014.".

1	(c) Conforming Amendments.—The Terrorism					
2	Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is					
3	amended—					
4	(1) in section $102(7)(F)$ —					
5	(A) by inserting "and each Program Year					
6	thereafter" before ", the value"; and					
7	(B) by striking "preceding Program Year					
8	5" and inserting "preceding that Program					
9	Year'';					
10	(2) in section 103(e)(1)(A), by inserting "and					
11	each Program Year thereafter" after "Year 5";					
12	(3) in section 103(e)(1)(B)(ii), by inserting be-					
13	fore the period at the end "and any Program Year					
14	thereafter";					
15	(4) in section 103(e)(2)(A), by striking "of Pro-					
16	gram Years 2 through 5" and inserting "Program					
17	Year thereafter";					
18	(5) in section 103(e)(3), by striking "of Pro-					
19	gram Years 2 through 5," and inserting "other Pro-					
20	gram Year''; and					
21	(6) in section 103(e)(6)(E), by inserting "and					
22	any Program Year thereafter" after "Year 5".					

1 SEC. 4. ANNUAL LIABILITY CAP.

2	(a) In General.—Section 103(e)(2) of the Ter-						
3	rorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note)						
4	is amended—						
5	(1) in subparagraph (A)—						
6	(A) by striking "(until such time as the						
7	Congress may act otherwise with respect to						
8	such losses)"; and						
9	(B) in clause (ii), by striking "that						
10	amount" and inserting "the amount of such						
11	losses''; and						
12	(2) in subparagraph (B), by inserting before						
13	the period at the end ", except that, notwithstanding						
14	paragraph (1) or any other provision of Federal or						
15	State law, no insurer may be required to make any						
16	payment for insured losses in excess of its deductible						
17	under section 102(7) combined with its share of in-						
18	sured losses under paragraph (1)(A) of this sub-						
19	section".						
20	(b) Notice to Congress.—Section 103(e)(3) of the						
21	Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701						
22	note) is amended—						
23	(1) by adding at the end the following: "The						
24	Secretary shall provide an initial notice to Congress						
25	not later than 15 days after the date of an act of						
26	terrorism, stating whether the Secretary estimates						

1	that aggregate insured losses will exceed				
2	\$100,000,000,000."; and				
3	(2) by striking "and the Congress shall" and all				
4	that follows through the end of the paragraph and				
5	inserting a period.				
6	(c) Regulations for Pro Rata Payments; Re-				
7	PORT TO CONGRESS.—Section 103(e)(2)(B) of the Ter-				
8	rorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note)				
9	is amended—				
10	(1) by striking "For purposes" and inserting				
11	the following:				
12	"(i) In general.—For purposes";				
13	and				
14	(2) by adding at the end the following:				
15	"(ii) Regulations.—Not later than				
16	240 days after the date of enactment of				
17	the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program				
18	Reauthorization Act of 2007, the Secretary				
19	shall issue final regulations for deter-				
20	mining the pro rata share of insured losses				
21	under the Program when insured losses ex-				
22	ceed \$100,000,000,000, in accordance with				
23	clause (i).				
24	"(iii) Report to congress.—Not				
25	later than 120 days after the date of en-				

1 actment of the Terrorism Risk Insurance 2 Program Reauthorization Act of 2007, the Secretary shall provide a report to the 3 Committee on Banking, Housing, Urban Affairs of the Senate and the Com-6 mittee on Financial Services of the House of Representatives describing the process 7 to be used by the Secretary for deter-8 9 mining the allocation of pro rata payments 10 for insured losses under the Program when 11 such losses exceed \$100,000,000,000.". 12 (d) Disclosure.—Section 103(b) of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is 13 amended— 14 15 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as 16 paragraphs (4) and (5), respectively; and 17 (2) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-18 lowing: 19 "(3) in the case of any policy that is issued 20

"(3) in the case of any policy that is issued after the date of enactment of the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program Reauthorization Act of 2007, the insurer provides clear and conspicuous disclosure to the policyholder of the existence of the \$100,000,000,000,000 cap under subsection (e)(2), at

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1	the time of offer, purchase, and renewal of the pol-
2	icy;''.
3	SEC. 5. ENHANCED REPORTS TO CONGRESS.
4	(a) Study and Report on Insurance for Nu-
5	CLEAR, BIOLOGICAL, CHEMICAL, AND RADIOLOGICAL
6	TERRORIST EVENTS.—Section 108 of the Terrorism Risk
7	Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended
8	by adding at the end the following:
9	"(f) Insurance for Nuclear, Biological, Chem-
10	ICAL, AND RADIOLOGICAL TERRORIST EVENTS.—
11	"(1) Study.—The Comptroller General of the
12	United States shall examine—
13	"(A) the availability and affordability of
14	insurance coverage for losses caused by terrorist
15	attacks involving nuclear, biological, chemical,
16	or radiological materials;
17	"(B) the outlook for such coverage in the
18	future; and
19	"(C) the capacity of private insurers and
20	State workers compensation funds to manage
21	risk associated with nuclear, biological, chem-
22	ical, and radiological terrorist events.
23	"(2) Report.—Not later than 1 year after the
24	date of enactment of the Terrorism Risk Insurance
25	Program Reauthorization Act of 2007, the Comp-

- 1 troller General shall submit to the Committee on
- 2 Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Senate
- and the Committee on Financial Services of the
- 4 House of Representatives a report containing a de-
- 5 tailed statement of the findings under paragraph
- 6 (1), and recommendations for any legislative, regu-
- 7 latory, administrative, or other actions at the Fed-
- 8 eral, State, or local levels that the Comptroller Gen-
- 9 eral considers appropriate to expand the availability
- and affordability of insurance for nuclear, biological,
- 11 chemical, or radiological terrorist events.".
- 12 (b) Study and Report on Availability and Af-
- 13 FORDABILITY OF TERRORISM INSURANCE IN SPECIFIC
- 14 Markets.—Section 108 of the Terrorism Risk Insurance
- 15 Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note) is amended by adding
- 16 at the end the following:
- 17 "(g) Availability and Affordability of Ter-
- 18 RORISM INSURANCE IN SPECIFIC MARKETS.—
- 19 "(1) STUDY.—The Comptroller General of the
- 20 United States shall conduct a study to determine
- 21 whether there are specific markets in the United
- 22 States where there are unique capacity constraints
- on the amount of terrorism risk insurance available.
- 24 "(2) Elements of Study.—The study re-
- quired by paragraph (1) shall contain—

1	"(A) an analysis of both insurance and re-						
2	insurance capacity in specific markets, includ						
3	ing pricing and coverage limits in existing poli						
4	cies;						
5	"(B) an assessment of the factors contrib						
6	uting to any capacity constraints that are iden						
7	tified; and						
8	"(C) recommendations for addressing						
9	those capacity constraints.						
10	"(3) Report.—Not later than 180 days after						
11	the date of enactment of the Terrorism Risk Insur-						
12	ance Program Reauthorization Act of 2007, the						
13	Comptroller General shall submit a report on the						
14	study required by paragraph (1) to the Committee						
15	on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs of the Sen-						
16	ate and the Committee on Financial Services of the						
17	House of Representatives.".						
18	(c) Ongoing Reports.—Section 108(e) of the Ter-						
19	rorism Risk Insurance Act of 2002 (15 U.S.C. 6701 note)						
20	is amended—						
21	(1) in paragraph (1)—						
22	(A) by inserting "ongoing" before "anal-						
23	ysis"; and						

1	(B) by striking ", including" and all that
2	follows through the end of the paragraph, and
3	inserting a period; and
4	(2) in paragraph (2)—
5	(A) by inserting "and thereafter in 2010
6	and 2013," after "2006,"; and
7	(B) by striking "subsection (a)" and in-
8	serting "paragraph (1)".

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